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Place of Meeting: First Presbyterian Church, Concord, N. C., October 13-14, 1920.

Theme of Meeting: Personal Evangelism.

Slogan: Every Woman a Soul Winner. The Christ is still saying: "Go home to thy friends and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee." Mark 5:19.

CALENDAR FOR 1921

The 1921 Presbyterials will meet as follows:
Concord—March 30 and 31, at Newton.
Kings Mountain—March 31, April 1, at Rutherfordton.
Mecklenburg—April 4 and 5, at Monroe.
Fayetteville, April 6, 7, and 8, at Carthage.
Wilmington, April 12 and 13, at Wallace.
Albemarle, April 13, 14 and 15, at New Bern.
Orange, April 18, 19 and 20, at Mebane.

The 1921 meeting of the Synodical Auxiliary will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, Gastonia, N. C.

OFFICERS FOR 1920-1921

Honorary President—Mrs Jackson Johnson, Winnabow
President—Mrs. E. F. Reid_____Lenoir
First V.-President—Miss Corinne Puet_____Dallas
Second Vice-President—Miss Jane Hall, 820 Princess St., _____Wilmington
Third V.-President—Mrs. W. A. West, 310 Dick St., _____Fayetteville
Fourth V.-President—Mrs. S. C. Brawley, West Durham
Fifth V.-President—Miss Mary Owen Graham, Peace Institute, _____Raleigh
Sixth V.-President—Mrs. R. N. Page_____Biscoe
Seventh V.-President—Mrs. W. R. Gray_____Davidson
Secretary—Mrs. S. A. Robinson_____Gastonia
Treasurer—Miss Margaret Lowell Gibson, Wilmington
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Secy. Assembly Home Missions—
Mrs. W. E. White_____Graham
Secy. Christian Education and Ministerial Relief—
Mrs. Geo. Howard_____Tarboro
Secy. Young People's Work—
Miss Mamie McElwee_____Statesville
Secy. Synodical Home Missions—
Miss Margaret Rankin, 705 College St.,_____Charlotte
Secy. Literature—
Mrs. S. M. Rankin, 130 Tate St._____Greensboro
Editor of Woman's Auxiliary Department in Presbyterian Standard—Mrs. J. M. McIver_____Gulf

Ad Interim Nominating Committee—Mrs. Chas. Rankin, Mrs. R. N. Page, Mrs. W. R. Grey.

Permanent Committee on Organization—Mrs. G. W. Oldham, Mrs. J. O. Carr, Mrs. J. R. Irwin.

Permanent Committee on Y. P.'s Work—Mrs. W. B. Ramsay, Mrs. E. C. Murray, Mrs. B. H. Bunch, Miss Mamie McElwee.

Permanent Committee on Finance—Mrs. B. R. Lacy, Mrs. A. G. Carter, Mrs. R. S. Abernethy, Miss M. L. Gibson.

President's Advisory Committee—Mrs. J. M. McIver, Mrs. W. B. Ramsay, Miss Mamie McElwee.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING,

October 13, 1920, 9:30 A. M.

The Executive Committee of the Woman's Synodical Auxiliary was called to order in the parlor of the First Presbyterian church of Concord, October 13, at 9:30 o'clock.

The President, Mrs. W. B. Ramsay, conducted the devotional, taking as her subject the 15th verse of 15th chapter of John: "I have called you friends." This was followed by a series of sentence prayers.

After a short "Who's Who," it was found that there were present 17 members of Ex. Com. Only two being absent.

Dr. Grier, pastor of the church was introduced and asked for the privilege of hearing the Report of the Secretary of Barium Springs and for the privilege of speaking in regard to this report. It was moved and carried that this report be heard at once and that Dr. Grier be given the privilege of speaking first on this report. Mrs. F. P. Hall made her report. Mrs. J. R. Page and Mrs. Jackson Johnson were also heard on this subject. Dr. Grier then suggested that the Ex. Com. overture Synod for a change in the method of electing Regents and that women from each Presbyterial be appointed on the board. It was moved and carried that the Synodical Secretary of Barium, every Presbyterial Secretary of this cause present, together with Dr. Grier, retire and word this petition. Their report was as follows:

In view of the fact that some of our Presbyteries are overturing Synod to give women equal representation and equal voting power on the board of management of Barium Springs, we the Ex. Com. of the Synodical Auxiliary now in session at Concord, do respectfully endorse the same and ask that our Synodical Secretary of Orphan work and our Presbyterial Secretaries of Orphanage work be appointed on the board of Regents.

This was signed by every member of the Ex. Com. present.

The President requested that all expense accounts be

given to the Treasurer, Mrs. A. G. Carter today.

Mrs. Geo. Patterson of the Hostess Auxiliary distributed badges and name cards to the members of the committee.

Mrs. J. M. McIver asked for suggestions in regard to the report blanks. Mrs. W. R. Gray spoke for a space for Orphanage on the local auxiliary blanks.

Mrs. Chas. Rankin, chairman of the Committee on organization read her report. The conference plan, versus our Synodical as we have it today was discussed.

Adjournment For Luncheon

The President called the afternoon session together at 2:30. After prayer by Mrs. R. N. Page, Mission Court was discussed. Miss Margaret Rankin suggested that all monies for the Albemarle fund be sent in by August 1st. A letter from Dr. Crawford was read setting forth three propositions. 1st. That we assume the entire amount of Mr. Crane's salary, $1,500; or 2nd, That we take as our responsibility the county of Wilson at a cost of $1,500; or 3rd, that we give 10 per cent of all our benevolences, other than the General Assembly's 60 per cent to S. P. & C., Home Missions. Miss Jane Hall moved that we endorse the latter, but a vote showed the Executive Committee to be only about half in favor of this.

The duties of the retiring and incoming treasurers were discussed.

Mrs. W. E. White asked and received the endorsement of the Executive Committee to the suggestion that the prayers and self-denial offering of the Week of Prayer for Home Missions in 1921 be given to Banner Elk.

Miss Corinne Puett outlined a tentative schedule for the spring Presbyterials which was accepted. (See page 1).

It was decided to stress Personal Evangelism as the theme of the 1921 Presbyterials. Several speakers were chosen for the spring Presbyterials.

After a brief discussion on the report of the Secretary of Y. P's. Work, the meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. S. A. Robinson, Rec.-Sec.

MINUTES OF THE EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING

Concord, N C., Oct. 13, 1920, 7:30 P. M.

The eighth annual meeting of the Woman's Synodical Auxiliary of the Synod of N. C. convened in the First Presbyterian church of Concord on the evening of October 13th at 7:30 o'clock.

The President, Mrs. W. B. Ramsay, called the meeting to order. The opening prayer was offered by Dr. J. M. Grier, pastor of the church, who followed his prayer with cordial greetings to the Auxiliary delegates. Dr. Grier expressed in a very happy way his belief in the women's work of the church, quoting from St. Paul, "Help those women which labored with me in the gospel."

Hearty and sincere greetings were also extended by Mrs. J. F. Cannon and Mrs. W. R. Gray, representing the local Auxiliary and the Presbyterial Auxiliary . A gracious response was made by Mrs. B. H. Bunch of Raleigh.

The church choir rendered a beautiful anthem. The Presidents message followed and gave in accurate and concise form the achievements of the past year, which do great credit to the Synodical and to the earnest and efficient work of the women. The President closed her message with two suggestions: That the Synodical meetings be held on the conference plan, and that all gifts be a part of the church budget.

Mrs. Ramsay also gave a brief report from the Montreat Summer School of Missions at which there were 87 delegates from North Carolina. Miss Mamie McElwee reported that Mission Court, the home at Richmond for returned Missionaries, was completed and occupied at this time by Mr. and Mrs. Ross of Mexico, and Rev. Geo. Henderlite and family of Brazil. There is still a debt of $2,000 on this building and the Virginia Synodical is asking the North Carolina women for help in lifting the debt.

Mrs. Frank Brown gave an interesting account of the 1920 conference for Young People which was held at Flora MacDonald College, and where were gathered 200 of the splendid young people of our church.

Mrs. E. M. Craig gave a splendid account of the conference held in Hickory for the colored people. The subjects discussed at this helpful meeting were home and community sanitation, Bible study, prayer, sane and wholesome amusements.

The enrollment showed 17 members of Executive Committee present and 36 delegates, making a total of 53 which was unusually good for the opening session.

The program was closed by the Bible message from the 15th chapter of John, given by Mrs. R. W. Orr. She gave an earnest appeal for the spirit-filled life through which Christ can show His purpose and power. The motto for the meeting is, "Every Woman a Soul-Winner," and Mrs. Orr's appeal was that it might indeed be a reality.

Rev. J. M. Grier pronounced the benediction.

THURSDAY MORNING, OCT. 14th

The second session of the Woman's Synodical Auxiliary was called to order by the President, Mrs. Ramsay.

After singing the hymn, "I love Thy Kingdom Lord," the devotionals were conducted by our beloved Honorary President, Mrs. Jackson Johnson who was introduced by the President, Mrs. Ramsay.

The morning lesson on Personal Work and Consecration was taken from the 84th Psalm. Mrs. Johnson pleaded for fuller consecration of our women, and asked God's richest blessings on their efforts. The devotionals closed with a favorite hymn, "Lord Speak to me that I may Speak," sung to the tune of "Some time the Silver Cord will Break."

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting and of the opening session were read and approved.

Mrs. Archibald Currie was appointed the official reader.

Reports of the Synodical Officers, President, Secretary and Treasurer were given and approved.

A rising vote of appreciation was given Mrs. Ramsay and the other officers for their untiring efforts in behalf of Synodical. These reports are as follows:

REPORT OF PRESIDENT

Members of the Synodical:

With grateful acknowledgment for the cooperation of all who have prayed for and worked with me the past year the following report is submitted:

Feb. 6-8, I attended the Inter-church National Conference for women at Washington, being sent by the Supervisory committee. At the expense of the Interchurch movement, I attended a state conference of denominational leaders in Charlotte June 16th.

It was my pleasure to visit five of the Presbyterials in the spring, making a talk on methods at each Presbyterial.

I attended two committee meetings in Charlotte in the interest of the Y. P.'s League and spent eight days at the Y. P.'s conference at Flora McDonald College, having a class part of the time in personal work.

As your representative I was present at the annual meeting of the Women's Advisory Committee at Montreat July 7-9, serving as Vice-President. I stayed through five days of the Montreat Summer School of Missions holding one conference with the N. C. delegation.

A statistical summary follows:

Number of letters and communications—991.

Miles traveled—1,358.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. B. Ramsay.

REPORT OF SECRETARY

Madam President and Members of the North Carolina Synodical:

As your Recording Secretary, I submit the following report:

I was present at Synodical in Durham and recorded the minutes, had same printed and mailed out.

I sent notices of this meeting and a list of names of all officers to our Church papers.

In March I mailed out over one thousand blanks to the Presbyterial Secretaries.

In April I compiled statistical report from the returned blanks and sent same to Mrs. Winsborough. I

also filled out and sent in the officers name blanks. Have sent notices to Mrs. J. M. McIver to be used in the Auxiliary Department of the Presbyterian Standard.

The Synodical shows an encouraging gain and is on the honor roll.

Prayer bands have increased from 37 to 60.

Mission Study Classes have increased from 196 to 279.

Gifts show an increase of $32,706.

The three Presbyterial on the honor roll are Concord, Orange and Wilmington.

Just here I would like to call the attention of the Presbyterial Recording Secretaries to the importance of getting the correct data and filling in every column of the statistical report blanks as this is the only way we can have a correct report of the work done along all lines.

I have written numerous letters and cards at the request of our President and answered all communications that I have received.

For statistical report of Woman's Synodical Auxiliary, see back of minutes.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. S. A. Robinson, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1919-1920

By balance reported Gen. Fund	$398.90
By collected at Durham	29.35
By Fayetteville Pres. Con. Fee	84.30
By Kings Mountain Pres. Con. Fee	29.75
By Orange Pres. Con. Fee	99.60
By Wilmington, Pres. Con. Fee	62.15
By Albemarle Pres. Con. Fee	30.92
By Kings Mountain Pres. Con. Fee (1920-1921)	47.55
By Miss Angevine Acct. (7 Pres.)	100.00
	$882.52

To check to Speaker at Durham	$ 17.57
To Ck. to Officers (R. R. fare, postage, etc).	165.91
To Ck. to B. L. Prevette, (Sign)	3.00

To Ck. to Miss Pilcher, (Chart)	6.45	
To Ck. Clay Ptg. Co. (Ptg. & Stationery)	22.85	
To Ck. to Loftin Co. (Printing Minutes, Stationary, Etc).	77.75	
To Ck. to Mrs. Ramsay, Ex. to Presbyterials	24.50	
To Ck. to Miss McElwee Ex. to Presbyterials and Schools	43.00	
To. Ck to Mrs. McMillan (W. A. C. Dues)	61.72	
To Ck. to Miss Angevine	100.00	
	$522.75	
Balance subject to check	$359.77	
Y. P. Conf. Fund Reported		35.00
Collected		210.00
Sent Mr. Garth	235.00	
Bal. Y. P. Fund on Hand	10.00	

Mrs. A. G. Carter, Treasurer.

REPORT OF SYNODICAL SECRETARY OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, 1919-1920

Personal Work

Your secretary of Foreign Missions wrote letters to the Presbyterial secretaries urging the organization of F. M. study classes, and the observance of Foreign Mission week, with other suggestions for the work.

I answered all inquiries of Foreign Mission secretaries to the best of my ability; arranged itinerary of the Foreign Mission speakers for the Presbyterial meetings; wrote a number of letters to Presbyterial Presidents, and to the Ex. Com., at Nashville concerning the selection of the Foreign Mission speaker; made talks on "Foreign Mission Study Classes and How to Conduct Them" at four district meetings in one Presbyterial.

Work of the Presbyterials

The reports of Presbyterial secretaries show interest and some of them much personal work for the cause of Foreign Missions in their Presbyterials, with the result that there has been a steady forward movement.

Foreign Mission study classes increased from 101 last

year to 132 this year; gifts to this cause grew from $26,-938 to $38,261 an increase of $11,233.00.

Mecklenburg Presbyterial shows the largest percentage of increase in gifts to Foreign Missions, going from $4812 to $8019. Mecklenburg also shows largest per capita gift to this cause, $5.91, with Orange a close second at $5.76.

Fayetteville shows the greatest gain in Foreign Mission study classes, going from 22 to 42.

Thirty-six Auxiliaries made the Foreign Mission Honor Roll, "twice as much and more." (Mecklenburg did not report on this).

Recommendations

1—That the local secretaries of Foreign Mission (1) urge the observance of Foreign Mission Day in the Sunday Schools; (2) ask for a Foreign Mission sermon.

2—That the local secretaries of F. M. urge the carrying out of the Seven Year Plan of Missionary Education in the Sunday Schools.

3. That the Synodical, Presbyterial and Local secretaries of Foreign Missions enroll themselves as Intercessory Foreign Missionaries, and enlist as many others as possible to join this movement. As defined by Rev. Wanchope in the Presbyterian Standard, "An intercessory foreign missionary is a laborer who can not go in person to the foreign field, but who has set himself apart to pray definitely for one or more missionaries or native workers. Such a person, by regular correspondence, keeps in close touch with his foreign representative, finding out all the needs of his particular field, and making them the subject of earnest daily prayer."

We have 388 missionaries in the foreign field. Are there not 388 women in this Synodical who would consider it a privilege to serve in the high capacity of Intercessory Foreign Missionary?

4.—That Foreign Mission secretaries stress the writing of letters and sending of clippings, magazines, etc., to our foreign missionaries. One of our missionaries to Africa and his wife waited six weeks for the mail, and received one letter.

5—That Foreign Mission secretaries make known to the women of our church the desperate need of physical equipment and missionary reinforcement in the foreign field, and that these "Twin Supreme Needs" be made the subject of special prayer at the spring Presbyterials, and at this meeting of Synodical.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. A. Brown.
Synodical Secy. of Foreign Mission.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SYNODICAL SECRETARY OF ASSEMBLY'S HOME MISSIONS

The Secretary of Assembly's Home Missions submits the following report:

In a personal letter to the Presbyterial Secretaries of Assembly's Home Missions, in September, I asked their cooperation in making this fall a banner one in Home Mission study. I also emphasized this in a notice in the Standard.

For two years our period of study and prayer for Home Missions has been providentially hindered and so the report of study classes and of the observance of the Week of Prayer can not show the increase they should. However two Presbyterials deserve special mention, namely, Fayetteville, which almost doubled the number of it's study classes increasing from twenty-three to forty-four, and Kings Mountain which more than doubled the number of it's study classes, increasing from six to sixteen. The other Presbyterials all made a slight gain making the total increase in Home Missions thirty-nine.

The financial report is most gratifying and there are four of the Presbyterials that increased noticeably in their gifts.

Wilmington leads with a gain of six hundred and sixty-two dollars; Mecklenburg next with six hundred and forty-eight; Fayetteville third with four hundred and thirty-four Dollars. and Orange with three hundred and thirty-seven dollars, the total increase over last year be-

ing two hundred and seventy-seven dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. W. E. White.,

Secretary of Assembly's Home Missions.

Mrs. W. E. White moved that Synodical request the General Assembly to make Banner Elk the object of special prayers and gifts at Week of Prayer for Home Missions next year. The motion was carried.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Your Secretary of Christian Education and Ministerial Relief submits the following report: Candidates for the Ministry and girls training for Missionary Service:

Fayetteville, 9 candidates, 2 girls in training.
Concord, 12 candidates, 8 girls in training.
Wilmington, 6 candidates, 1 girl in training.
Orange, 8 candidates, 7 girls in training.
Kings Mountain, 4 girls in training.
Mecklenburg, 1 girl in training.
Albemarle, 1 girl in training.

Total 59 candidates and girls training for missionary service, an increase of 22 over last year. This is very encouraging and we should surely feel that God has blessed us in this work and go forward with renewed zeal to attain higher things.

I am glad to report to our Synodical the earnest work of our Presbyterial Secretaries and the response they had from the Auxiliaries in the accomplishment of our Million Dollar Goal for Christian Education, and while I cannot report in dollars and cents the assistance the woman gave, I can report an interested, working and prayerful band and who can measure the results.

We are putting forth our efforts in another branch of work now, that of Ministerial Relief. Mr. Graham has offered to our Church a most magnificent opportunity of showing our love and affection for our aged and infirm ministers. I have written the Secretary of Christian Education and Ministerial Relief of each Auxiliary asking that she urge the women of her Auxiliaries to

buy at least one foot in the Graham Building, and I feel sure that we will be able to report a large amount contributed to this before December 1st.

I am sorry I was unable to attend the Summer School of Missions at Montreat this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Geo. Howard.

ANNUAL REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLES' SECRETARY, NOVEMBER 4, 1919 to OCTOBER 13, 1920

In submitting the report of the Young People's' Work of 1919-20, your secretary is glad to record that an increased interest is manifested in the work throughout the Synodical Auxiliary. The work we believe is becoming better organized, the direct result or effect of the inspiration and stimulus received by Presbyterial Secretaries and young people at the Conference of the Presbyterian Young Peoples' League of the Synod of North Carolina and at the District League Rally meetings.

The second Young Peoples' Conference was as great a success as the first one held last year. The full attendance numbered 227 about 200 of them being young people. Fourteen young people expressed a desire to serve the Master in Home Mission work and ten in Foreign Mission work. Mr. R. E. McClure of Wilmington was elected president and Miss Rachel Beall of Durham Secretary-Treasurer. The motto of the Conference "Serve to Save" expresses the objective and the prayer of the leaders and workers of the Conference. Seventeen District Rally meetings covering all Presbyterials except one were held in June, July and August.

The action of the Synod of 1919 authorizing the organization of the Young People's Societies into a Synodical League and recommending that Presbyteries organize Presbyterial or District Leagues on a similar plan we feel was a forward movement and we are glad to report that the Presbyteries took favorable action on Synod's recommendation.

The year's report shows 278 societies reporting, an

increase of 31, and an increase in membership of 453, also an increase in gifts to all causes except Christian Education and Ministerial Relief and this decrease is due to the over and above gifts to this cause last year. The total increase in gifts to all causes is $1,002. Forty-five societies last year reported Bible Study, this year 96, an increase of 41. Mission Study reported last year 42, this year 70, an increase of 32. Fayetteville Presbyterial led in gifts to all causes or in total gifts, also in number of societies reporting and in membership. Concord comes second in number of societies and membership and first in Mission Study. Mecklenburg leads in gifts to Foreign Missions. Orange is second in total gifts to all causes. Wilmington leads in Bible Study.

Fayetteville has erected a scholarship in the Student Loan Fund as a memorial to Chaplain Thomas McNeill Bulla. Wilmington reports two church Scholarships being erected. Concord reports one church Scholarship erected. Other Scholarships, I feel sure have been erected but have not been reported.

Miss Nealy Ford, the Barium girl the Young People are educating, has entered on her second year of study at Flora Macdonald College. The Young People's Societies financed her expenses last year to the extent of $70 and have deposited with Dr. Sweets, Secretary of Christian Education, $145.25 for her future use. This year each society is asked to give $1.00 to this fund. Miss Ford is preparing to go back to the mountains as a Home Missionary. The Presbyterials contributed as follows—Albemarle $6.00; Concord, $31.25; Fayetteville, $22.00; Kings Mountain, $19.00; Mecklenburg, $108.00; Orange, $115.00 and Wilmington, $14.00, making a total of $215.25. The Christian Education work was undertaken by the young people at the 1919 Conference; the 1920 report will give the work in Sunday School Extension undertaken at the last Conference.

Your secretary visited Flora Macdonald College, Peace Institute, Michell College, Elise High School and Grove Institute and was happy to meet with such a cordial welcome from both the young people and the faculty of these

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institutions, also was deeply interested in the religious training received in each. A visit to Queen's College, Albemarle Institute and Glade Valley was planned for May but the month was filled with work on the Young People's Conference and the visit had to be postponed.

Your secretary gave two weeks to the setting up, at Charlotte, of the Interchurch Movement Conference for Women, paralleling the Pastors Conference. Conferences attended during the year were the Foreign Mission Conference at New Haven, The Council of Women for Home Missions, The Home Missions Council and the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions of North America in New York, Synods Conference for Young People and the Montreat Young People's Conference.

Your Secretary recommends:

1. That Presbyterials give one afternoon or morning to the Young People's Work. That this period shall not be the last afternoon of the Presbyterial.

2. That Presbyterials print a statistical report of their Young Peoples' Work in the minutes.

3. That the Synodical request the Assembly's Superintendent of Young Peoples' Work to have in the statistical report blanks for secretaries reports more space for figures and of sufficient length to report 75 societies. That they include a special space for college reports.

4. That the Synodical Secretary and chairman of Permanent Committee on Young Peoples Work be asked to call a meeting of the College Y. W. C. A. Presidents at least once during the year to coordinate the college work along denominational lines.

5. That the Synodical request the Assembly's Home Missions Committee and the Foreign Missions Committee to send a representative from their respective field-work to visit and address our college students, under the direction of the Synod.

6. That all churches have a Young Peoples' Council as recommended by the General Assembly and that a special request or letter go from the Synodical Auxiliary

to all local Auxiliary urging that they ask their session to appoint this council.

7. That the Synodical petition the Synod of North Carolina to cooperate with the Assembly's Superintendent of Sunday School Work and Young People's Work in placing a Field Secretary in the Synod.

8. That the Synodical endorse the report of the recommendations of the Findings Committee of the Presbyterian Young People's League.

Statistical Report

Communication	820
Presbyterial Meetings Attended	7
Rally Meetings Attended	1
Conferences Attended	6
Miles travelled	4,000

Respectfully submitted,

Mamie McElwee.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF S. P. AND C. HOME MISSIONS

Your secretary of Synodical, Presbyterial and Congregational Home Missions desires to report:

Numerous letters written to Presbyterial Secretaries, all of which met with a quick and cordial response. The Albemarle Fund of $750.00 was more than raised, $981.20 being contributed by the different Presbyterials as follows:

Albemarle	$162.30
Concord	120.70
Fayetteville	110.50
Kings Mountain	119.55
Mecklenburg	125.15
Orange	221.50
Wilmington	121.50
Total	$981.20

Your secretary recommends:

1st—That all money for Synodical work be in Mr. Crawford's hands by the first of August.

2nd.—That an earnest effort be made to have the Syn-

odical Home Mission program given in every society, either in January or July.

3rd—That the Albemarle Special be dropped, and the auxiliaries be asked for 10 per cent of all benevolent contributions for the advance in the Synodical work.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret G. Rankin.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF LITERATURE

Your Secretary would make the following report:

Of the 314 local Auxiliaries composing this Synodical Auxiliary, 188 sent in reports on Literature, that is about 60 per cent of the whole. From these reports I get the following summary:

Mission Study Classes	284
Enrollment in Study Classes	2719
Copies of Survey taken	3583
Auxiliaries having Canvass for Survey	156
Copies of Church Calendar of Prayer taken	981
Auxiliaries having regular prepared programs	151
Auxiliaries using Year Book of Programs	93
Auxiliaries having table of Literature at meetings	28
Auxiliaries reporting Secretary of Literature	166

A number of churches reached Jacks Honor Roll through the canvass put on by Auxiliaries but I was unable to get accurate reports as to this item. However only 42 per cent of members of Auxiliaries composing Synodical take the Survey.

In prosecution of work I have written 45 letters and one article for publication.

Respectfuly submitted,

Mrs. S. M. Rankin

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF ORPHANAGE WORK

Belmont, N. C., Oct. 17.

Madam President and Ladies of the Synodical:

As your Secretary of Orphanage Work, I beg to submit the following report:

During the year ending with October, 1920, the Board

of Visitors has held two meetings. Numerous personal letters and circulars have been written and many visits have been made to the orphanage.

I am glad to report that many gifts have been made to Barium. Those reported to me are as follows:

One hundred and fifty-five dollars for boys' sitting room in Lees cottage from friends in Gastonia and Belmont.

A large box of books from the First Church, Greensboro.

Ninety dollars for school medals and prizes from Miss Corinne Puett and some Belmont friends.

A Victrola for Annie Louise cottage from a few friends in Belmont. Eighty records from the Gastonia Auxiliary.

Forty dollars from Concord Auxiliary.

Curtains and chairs for girls' sitting room from Mrs. J. R. Page and a Baptist friend.

Pillows from the Lowell and Olney Auxiliaries.

There are doubtless many other gifts that have not been reported to me.

Our chief efforts have been directed towards raising the $75,000.00 for the Lottie Walker building. Amounts in hand for this building are as follows:

Albemarle Presbyterial	$3,515
Concord Presbyterial	8,377
Fayetteville Presbyterial	5,000
Orange Presbyterial	4,000
Kings Mountain Presbyterial	8,000
Mecklenburg Presbyterial	4,210
Wilmington Presbyterial	3,334
	$36,435

Additional gifts, since the above were reported, now make the amount in hand, $37,000.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. F. P. Hall.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF PRAYER BANDS AND BIBLE STUDY

Your Secretary of Prayer Bands and Bible Study would submit the following report:

After appointment to this office last fall I wrote to each Presbyterial President asking that a Secretary of this cause be appointed. This request was compiled with and the addresses of those appointed forwarded to the office of the Woman's Auxiliary, St. Louis, for instructions, pledge cards and needed literature. Albemarle, Concord and Mecklenburg Presbyterials failed to send me reports of their work and none are printed in their minutes, however I am sure some work was done by each of these Presbyterials.

From the reports of Fayetteville, Kings Mountain, Orange and Wilmington, I get the following totals:

Number of Auxiliaries having Secretary of P. B. and B. S.—68.

Number of Auxiliaries having organized Prayer Bands—44.

Number of members of Prayer Bands (Kings Mountain not reporting)—407.

Number of organized Bible Classes—14.

Number of members of Bible Classes (Kings Mountain not reporting)—76.

Number of Pledge Cards signed (Orange and Wilmington not reporting)—85.

Realizing that efficiency in the Lord's work is the outgrowth of the study of His Word and a communion with Him through prayer, we would recommend, 1st, That each Presbyterial Secretary of P. B. & B. S. urge her local Auxiliaries to organize, at the earliest possible date, at least one Prayer Band in each auxiliary. 2nd, That each Auxiliary form classes for Bible Study and 3rd, That classes in Personal Work be organized in every church during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. S. M. Rankin.

The report of Permanent Committees were read, amended and approved.

Permanent Committee on Organization—Mrs. Chas. Rankin, chairman.

Permanent Committee on Y. P's. Work—Mrs. E. F. Reid, chairman.

Permanent Committee on Finance—Mrs. B. R. Lacy, chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION

Madam President:

Your Committee on Organization begs leave to report:

Having been assigned the duty of revising the Constitution of the Synodical Auxiliary of North Carolina, we suggest the following changes:

Recommendations

1. Realizing that efficiency in the Lord's work is the outgrowth of the study of His Word and of communion with Him through prayer, we recommend that these be stressed under the direction of the Secretaries of these causes.

Also that classes in personal work be formed when feasible.

2. That each Presbyterial adopt the plan of County Visitors to arrange group conferences in their respective Presbyterials, the said visitors not to be officers of the Presbyterial.

3. That the Auxiliaries throughout all its organizations give every possible cooperation with the Progressive Program Campaign.

4. That the representation of Auxiliaries at Presbyterials be governed by the size of Presbyterial.

5. That continued effort be made to organize the Auxiliary Circle plan, as it has proved a large factor in the development of efficiency wherever tried.

6. That our Presbyterial Presidents stress personal evangelism, with classes in the local Auxiliaries during the coming year.

7. That the Presbyterial Auxiliaries have on the wall at their annual meeting a financial report of the quota assigned the churches in the Presbytery and the amounts

which have been pledged toward this quota. This to be in addition to the Women's "over and above" for all causes of the church.

8. That the Synodical and Presbyterial printing be done at the Standard Printing office at Charlotte, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Charles Rankin,
Mrs. C. C. McAlister,
Mrs. E. C. Murray.
Committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Finance submits the following report:

We recommend:

1. That the expenses of the Woman's Advisory Committee be pooled on the basis of representation.

2.—That the Equalization Fund be distributed by the Finance Committee.

3. That the expenses of the Presbyterial President to the Synodical meeting be paid by the Presbyterials.

Mrs. B. R. Lacy,
Miss Mary Owen Graham,
Mrs. R. S. Abernethy,
Mrs. A. G. Carter.

The President, Mrs. Ramsay, appointed the following committees:

Committee on Resolutions—Mrs. W. M. Cummings, chairman; Miss Ora Sharp, Mrs. John Knox, Mrs. J. McBride Holt, Mrs. R. C. Berneau.

Auditing Committee: Mrs. J. R. Page, Mrs. E. B. Watts, Mrs. R. S. Burwell, Mrs. W. T. Clark.

Nominating Committee: Miss Corinne Puett, Miss Mamie McElwee, Mrs. J. M. McIver.

Publicity Committee: Mrs. Earle Brown.

Committee on Place of Meeting: Miss Mary Alexander, Mrs. C. E. Neisler, Miss Mattie Williams, Mrs. A. G. Goodwin.

It was moved by Mrs. Cummings and carried that we report to Synod the amount raised (some $37,000) for

the Lottie Walker building and ask that they begin this much needed building at their earliest convenience.

In the discussion of the conference plan versus the Synodical as we now have it, was moved and carried that we continue the present plan.

Miss Graham moved that we plan toward a general meeting of all our women every three years. Motion carried.

The President presented the Thermometer Chart and explained it fully.

(For chart see last page of minutes)

The noon hour having arrived Mrs. George Patterson of the local auxiliary extended an invitation to luncheon. This invitation to include all delegates and visitors present. The luncheon was at the home of Mrs. D. F. Cannon with the young ladies of the congregation as hostesses.

The meeting adjourned.

Luncheon at Mrs. D. F. Cannon's.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, OCT. 14, 2:30 O'CLOCK

The afternoon session was opened with the hymn, "Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned," followed by prayer by Mrs. E. D. Brown.

The conference on Best Methods, led by the Secretaries of Causes came next. Each told of interesting ways of presenting her cause at the Presbyterial meeting.

The Presbyterial President's Conference was as follows:

a.—Presbyterial Hostesses—Mrs. W. R. Gray.
b.—Privileges of Delegates—Mrs. S. C. Brawley.
c.—A Balanced Program—Mrs. W. A. West.
d.—Narrative Reports—Mrs. R. N. Page.
e.—Presbyterial Specials—Miss Jane Hall.
f.—The Contingent Fund—Miss Corinne Puett.
g.—The Circle Plan—Miss Mary Owen Graham.

The minutes of the day were read, corrected and approved.

Dr. Grier gave a brief account of the meeting of the

Board of Regents he had attended that day at Barium Springs and reported that the Board of Regents had endorsed the paper the Executive Committee had prepared to send to Synod.

The afternoon session closed with prayer.

Thursday Evening, October 14, 7:30 O'Clock

The closing session was opened by the singing, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name."

Dr. J. M. Grier led in prayer.

Mrs. J. B. Womble sang a beautiful solo.

The President introduced Mrs N. Buckner of Asheville, Gen. Secy. of N. C. Baraca-Philathea Union, who brought a wonderful message on "The Joys of Personal Evangelism."

Mrs. Ramsay then opened the meeting for a few minutes discussion on Soul Winning.

Three young ladies, Presidents of College Y. W. C. Associations, were presented to the Synodical: Miss Eugenia Fairley of Peace, Miss Katherine Wiggins, Queens College and Miss Nellie Heins of Mitchell College.

The committee on Place of Meeting, Miss Mary Alexander, chairman, reported two invitations, from Kings Mountain Presbyterial, Gastonia, and Belmont. The committee recommended Gastonia, and the Synodical voted unanimously to accept the Gastonia invitation for the 1921 meeting.

Committee on Credentials, Mrs. J. L. Olive, chairman, reported an enrollment of 17 members of Ex. Committee, 36 delegates and 10 visitors, making a total of 63.

Many visitors were present from time to time whose names were not recorded.

The Auditing Committee, Mrs. J. R. Page, chairman, reported that an examination of the Treasurer's books showed them to be neat and accurate.

The Committee on Resolutions, Mrs. W. M. Cumming, Chairman, reported as follows:

Whereas the North Carolina Synodical has met for its eighth annual session with the Woman's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian Church of Concord, therefore be it resolved: That we express our appreciation and gratitude

1st. To our heavenly Father for His guidance and blessing. Trusting in Him for strength let us go forward with a brighter vision for service.

2nd. To the pastor, Dr. Grier and the good women of the church for their cordial reception and generous hospitality.

3rd. To our efficient President, Mrs. W. B. Ramsay and her co-workers for their untiring efforts in advocating the work of our Lord and Master.

4th. To Mrs. Buckner and Mrs. Orr for their inspirational addresses.

This report was accepted by a rising vote.

The Nominating Committee, Miss Corinne Puett, chairman, brought in a report which was adopted and resulted in the election of the following officers:

President—Mrs. E. F. Reid, Lenoir.

Treasurer—Miss Margaret Lovell Gibson, Wilmington.

Secretary Foreign Missions.—Mrs. W. L. Wilson, Hemp.

Sec. Assembly Home Missions—Mrs. W. E. White, Graham.

Sec. Bible Study and Prayer Bands—Mrs. O. G. Jones, Greensboro.

Sec. Synodical, Presbyterial and Congregational Home Missions—Miss Margaret Rankin, Charlotte, N. C.

The retiring President, Mrs. W. B. Ramsay, presented to Mrs. E. F. Reid a historical gravel bearing the following inscription: "Presented to the N. C. Synodical Auxiliary at Concord, Oct. 14, 1920. The handle of this gravel is made from wood taken from a bench in the Montreat Auditorium where the Synodical was organized in 1912."

Dr. J. H. Henderlite of Gastonia, chairman of Synod's committee on Woman's Work, was a welcome visitor on Thursday afternoon and at the evening service brought informal greetings from the Synod.

Dr. Henderlite spoke of the interest and admiration with which the members of Synod watched the steady progress being made by the Synodical in all departments of its work. The organized women's work had become a force more and more to be counted on. As a pastor and a Presbyterian he had gratefully observed its grow-

ing influence in the hes and its steadily expanding influence. He espec congratulated the women upon the excellent const ve work the Synodical was doing among the young le and urged that they should not relax their efforts il they had reached out to all the churches, pointing e smaller and the remote rural churches as offering n needy and inviting fields for organized work among women and young people. He also warmly comme the generous and successful undertaking of the Synd in raising funds for the Lottie Walker Building at um Springs.

After the minutes w ead and approved, Dr. J. H. Henderlite conducted a pressive installation service. All officers who were to e the coming year pledging their best efforts to the , and the Synodical promising to help them and uph heir hands in every possible way.

The closing prayer was by Rev. C. F. Myers.

The meeting was adjou to meet in the First Presbyterian church of Gaston the fall of 1921.

Res fully submitted,

Mrs. S Robinson, Secretary.

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Presbyterial Thermometer Chart

	Membership %	Survey %	Mission Study %	Gifts per Capita %	Total Average %
Albemarle	9	38	32	16	24
Concord	9	41	40	11	25
Fayetteville	1	40	49	21	25
Kings Mountain	24	35	71	—16	29
Meckenburg	5			59	
Orange	27	47	60	40	44
Wilmington	11	60	45	59	44

The following are the Bases of Computation for these percentages:

Membership: Compare membership of Presbyterial this year with membership last year.

Survey: Compare number of Surveys taken with one-fifth the Church Membership. Goal: One Survey to every five church Members

Mission Study: Compare number of Mission Study Classes with double the number of Auxiliaries in the Presbyterial. Goal: two Mission Study Classes to every Auxiliary.

Gifts: Compare total gifts of Presbyterial this year with total gifts for last year.

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Report of Woman's Auxiliary in the

For the Year Ending Mar

PRESBYTERIAL	No. Churches	No. Members	No. Societies	No. Members	Increase in Membership over last year	No. Societies organized during year	No. Members in new Societies	Copies Survey Taken	Copies Prayer Calendar	No. Mission Study Classes		No. Prayer Bands	No. Bible Classes	Foreign Missions	Hom	
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Wilmington	37	4416	38	1260	123	5	82	528	113	15	19	11	5	4124	1142	
Albemarle	49	4088	22	821	70			310	53	7	7	3	1	3135	645	
Concord	62	7729	34	1069	95			699	195	14	13			3917	835	
Fayetteville	109	12488	88	1986	20			1006	210	42	44	18	3	6277	1767	
Orange	88	8434	51	2040	420	3	46	790	266	29	32	10	1	11776	1472	
Kings Mountain	39	3700	19	591	116	2	32	261	47	10	17	7	2	1014	366	
Mecklenburg	85	10598	52	1785	86			550	94	15	15	9	5	8018	1074	1
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For the Year Ending March 31, 1920

	No. of Societies	MEMBERSHIP			Bible Study	MISSION STUDY		Foreign Missions 1	BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTION											Contingent Fund 12	Total to All Causes 13	Amount Per Capita 14	Total Increase Over Last Year 15
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C.	30	185	475	660	16	13	13	874	6		160		51	6	59	1	92	132	47	1428	2	398
	43	392	459	887	14	8	5	356	58	62	103	72	35	16	43	2	39	480	456	1722	2	168
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